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Immortal Classic Works of the Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Published in Various Countries

Immortal classic works of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the brilliant thinker and theorist and the genius of revolution, have widely been published in collection or book form in various countries.

"The Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea", a collection of the works dealing with the basic policy for national reunification clarified by the great leader President Kim Il Sung on the basis of the immortal Juche idea, was brought out by the noted Japanese Publishing House, "Miraisha".

It systematically contains the historic speeches, reports and talks of the great leader on the national reunification problem since 1973.

The collections of the great leader's immortal classic works entitled "On the Juche Idea and Question of Korean Reunification" and "On the Socialist Rural Question" were also published by the Nepal-Korea Friendship Association.

A collection of the immortal classic works of the great leader under the title "For the Independent, Peaceful Reunification of the Country" was printed by the "Mosaic" Publishing House in India and a collection of his immortal classic works "Duties of Literature and Art in Our Revolution" in Hindustani and Urdu by the "New Publishing House" in India.

Besides, the immortal classic works of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, **"On the Occasion of the 30th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Workers' Party of Korea"** was brought out by the Denmark-DPRK Friendship Association; **"Let Us Prevent a National Split and Reunify the Country"** by the "Edi Togo" Publishing House in Togo; **"The Non-Alignment Movement Is a Mighty Anti-Imperialist Revolutionary Force of Our Times"** by the "Observateur Africain" Publishing House in Senegal and the "Press" Printing House in Norway; **"Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country", "On Some Theoretical Problems of the Socialist Economy"** and **"Let Us Achieve National Reunification and World Peace through Struggle"** by the British Publishing House "Trade Type"; **"Talk with the Panamanian Journalist Delegation"** and the New Year Address of the great leader for 1976 by the "Smrit" Publishing House in Nepal respectively in book form.

Carried with due respect in all the collections and books are portraits of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

First-term "Short Course on the Revolutionary Ideas of President KIM IL SUNG and Korean History" Opens in Costa Rica

A grand opening ceremony of the first-term "short course on the revolutionary ideas of President Kim Il Sung and Korean history" was held at the House of Costa Rica-Korea Friendship and Culture in San Jose on June 18 under the co-sponsorship of professors of the National University and other universities and the Association of Costa Rica-Korea Friendship and Culture, according to a report from San Jose.

Put in place of honour on the platform was a portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the revolution.

Hanging there were two national flags of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Put on display in the meeting hall were immortal classic works of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and photographs showing the course of his glorious and brilliant revolutionary struggle.

Also on show were photographs showing the shining successes gained by the Korean people in the socialist revolution and construction under the wise guidance of the great leader.

A letter addressed to Marshal Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, was unanimously adopted at the ceremony amid the loud applause of its attendants.

The ceremony was attended by the General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Costa Rican Socialist Party, the Chairman of the Costa Rican Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification, the Chairman of the Association of Costa Rica-Korea Friendship and Culture and many other political, public and academic figures.

Addressing the ceremony, the Chairman of the Association of Costa Rica-Korea Friendship and Culture emphasized that the "short course on the revolutionary ideas of President Kim Il Sung and Korean history" first to be held in Costa Rica was organized out of the desire to deeply study and learn from the great Juche idea founded by the President and the brilliant achievements made by the Korean people in the revolution and construction on the basis of this idea.

Referring to the weighty significance of the short course, he said:

The revolutionary theories founded by Marshal Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on the basis of the Juche idea and the experiences of revolutionary practices based on them are the universal truth to be applied to each stage of the revolution.

Therefore, this short course provides the Costa Rican revolutionaries and people with a good opportunity to learn a lot.

Speaking next, Prof. and Dr. William Leudony said emphatically:

The modern history of the Korean people is the history of the revolutionary struggle of President Kim Il Sung.

The President liberated the fatherland by uniting under the banner of Juche the workers, peasants, youth, students and intellectuals of Korea who had been maltreated and exploited under the colonial rule of Japanese imperialism, defeated the US imperialists in the three-year war and has built Korea into a model country of socialism.

The history of the Korean people over the last half a century is unthinkable apart from the revolutionary ideas and revolutionary activities of President Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the Korean people.

So, if one wants to know the true history of the Korean people, one must study the revolutionary history of the President.

The attendants unanimously resolved to study hard and embody the glorious and brilliant revolutionary history of the great leader and the immortal Juche idea founded by him.

The short course will continue three months.

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TELEGRAMS

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, sent a message of greetings to Comrade **Yumzhagin Tsedenbal** on his reelection as First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade **Pak Sung Chul**, Premier of the Administration Council, sent a message of greetings to Comrade **Ton Duc Thang**, Comrade **Truong Chinh** and Comrade **Pham Van Dong**, upon the successful discussion and decision on the important questions of realizing the reunification of Viet Nam and their respective elections as President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National Assembly of the SRVN, and Premier of the Government of the SRVN, at the First Session of the Sixth National Assembly of Viet Nam.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Pak Sung Chul**, Premier of the Administration Council, exchanged messages of greetings with Comrade **Leonid Ilyich Brezhnev**, General Secretary of the CC of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union; Comrade **Nikolai Viktorovich Podgorny**, President of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Comrade **Aleksei Nikolaevich Kosygin**, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the USSR, on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Friendship, Cooperation and Mutual Assistance between the DPRK and the USSR.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Pak Sung Chul**, Premier of the Administration Council, sent a message to Comrade **Mao Tsetung**, Chairman of the CC of the Communist Party of China, and Comrade **Hua Kuo-feng**, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, expressing condolences over the death of Comrade Chu Teh, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CC of the CPC and Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the PRC.

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✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to Comrade **Samora Moises Machel**, Chairman of the Liberation Front of Mozambique and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique, on the first anniversary of the proclamation of the independence of Mozambique and the founding of the People's Republic of Mozambique and received a reply from him.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of thanks to **Houari Boumedienne**, President of the Council of Revolution and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Algerian Democratic and People's Republic, who, as Chairman of the Fourth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries, sent a letter to the heads of state of the non-aligned countries, informing them of the situation in our country and calling upon them to express solidarity with the just struggle of our people, in connection with the fact that the United States and its lackeys are aggravating tension and intensifying the manoeuvres of aggression and war in Korea. And the great leader cabled a message to the latter, greeting the 14th anniversary of the independence of Algeria.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Didier Ratsiraka**, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, on the 16th anniversary of the independence of Madagascar and received a reply from the latter.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message of thanks from **Didier Ratsiraka**, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, which was sent on leaving our country after his state visit.

And the great leader received a message of thanks sent by DRM President Didier Ratsiraka after returning home from a state visit to our country.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of sympathy to **U Ne Win**, President of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma, in connection with the flood damages in some areas of Burma and received a reply from him.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of sympathy to **Abu Sadat Mohammad Sayem**, President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, in connection with the flood damages in some areas of Bangladesh.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Siaka Probyn Stevens**, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone, in reply to the message of greetings sent on the occasion of the 5th anniversary of the proclamation of the RSL.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Jorge Rafael Videla**, President of the Republic of Argentina, in reply to the message of greetings sent on the national day of the Republic of Argentina.

✦ **The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea** sent a message of greetings to **the 12th Congress of the People's Vanguard Party of Costa Rica.**

✦ **The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea** received a message from **the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party** in reply to the message of greetings sent on the 55th anniversary of the founding of the CCP.

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"Long Live General KIM IL SUNG!" "May General KIM IL SUNG Enjoy Good Health and a Long Life!"

Poster Conveying Fidelity to the Great Leader Appears in Seoul

The June 24 issue of "Sinhan Minbo", newspaper of Korean residents in the United States, reported that a poster conveying the unanimous sentiments of the south Korean people infinitely revering the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung and evincing their singlehearted determination to be loyal to the great leader was pasted on a wall in Sodaemun District, Seoul, recently.

The poster said: "Long live General Kim Il Sung!" "May General Kim Il Sung enjoy good health and a long life!" and "The road pointed to by General Kim Il Sung is the road to be followed by our nation".

This shows that the south Korean patriotic people, holding the great leader in high esteem, firmly believe that the road indicated by him is the only road of victory and glory and are fighting courageously to bring earlier the day when they will find themselves in his embrace.

The poster immensely excited and encouraged the people suffering from plunder and oppression in the dark land where bayonet-brandishing is rampant and threw the fascist bandits into the depths of uneasiness and fear.

This stirring story was not made known in south Korea due to the harsh press gag of the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique. But, this was disclosed by a south Korean believer when he made public abroad a material on the Pak Jung Hi clique's fascist repression recently.

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A joint communique of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Benin was made public in Pyongyang on July 15. The joint communique reads:

DPRK-PRB JOINT COMMUNIQUE

On the invitation of Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Comrade Mathieu Kerekou, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and President of the People's Republic of Benin, paid a state and friendship visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea between July 10 and 15, 1976, leading a delegation of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and the Military Revolutionary Government of the People's Republic of Benin.

Everywhere the Korean people accorded a particularly warm and enthusiastic welcome to the guests from Benin.

This was a vivid expression of the high respect and deep friendly sentiments cherished by the Korean people for His Excellency President Mathieu Kerekou and the fraternal people of Benin.

During their stay in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea His Excellency President Mathieu Kerekou and his party visited Mangyongdae and inspected factories, cooperative farms and educational and cultural institutions in Pyongyang and North Hwanghae Province. They also appreciated art performances strikingly demonstrating the creative talents of the masses and the high level of cultural development in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Very friendly talks were successfully held between Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade Mathieu Kerekou, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and President of the People's Republic of Benin.

Present at the talks on the Korean side were Comrade Kim Dong Gyu, Member of the Political Committee, and Secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Member of the Political Committee of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Administration Council of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Ho Dam, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Premier of the Administration Council and Foreign Minister; Comrade Kong Jin Tae, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Premier of the Administration Council; Comrade So Gwan Hi, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Chairman of the Agricultural Committee; Comrade Kim Sok Gi, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Chairman of the Education Committee; Comrade Kye Ung Tae, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Minister of Foreign Trade; Comrade Chong Song Nam, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Minister of External Economic Affairs; Comrade Chang Jong Hwan, Alternate Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Minister of People's Armed Forces; Comrade Chon Myong Su, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs; and Comrade Toggo Mun Hung, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the People's Republic of Benin.

Present on the Benin side were Comrade Michel Alladaye, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Minister of External Affairs and Cooperation; Comrade Martin Dohou Azonhiho, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Minister of Interior, Security and National Orientation; Comrade Issa Abdoulaye, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Governor of Atacora Province; Comrade Simon Ifede Ogouma, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Governor of Atlantiku Province; Comrade Joseph Degla, Member of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Director of the National Revolutionary Education School; Comrade Romain Villon-Guezo, Member of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Secretary General of the National Workers Trade Union; Comrade Andre Atchade, Member of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Minister of Commerce and Tourism; Comrade Moussa Ali Traore, Member of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of Benin to the People's Republic of China; Comrade Richard Rodriguez, Minister of Equipment; Comrade Francois Dossou, Minister of Plan, Statistics and Foreign Aid Coordination; and Comrade Leopold Ahoueya, Minister of Transport.

At the talks the two sides informed each other of the situation in their respective countries and exchanged views on further expanding and developing the relations of friendship and cooperation between Korea and Benin and on international problems of common concern.

The two sides reached a complete identity of views on all problems discussed.

Analysing the present international situation, the two sides stressed that the present era is an era of independence for the peoples of all countries. This is an era in which imperialism is declining and falling and the peoples who had been exploited and oppressed in the past have emerged in the arena of history and are continuously waging a victorious struggle for liberation, sovereignty and prosperity.

Today it is the basic trend of our era which no force can check that the world people resolutely struggle in demand of independence and self-sustenance against all forms of subjugation and exploitation.

The two sides directed particular attention to the non-aligned movement which holds an important place today in the struggle of the third world people against imperialism, colonialism and all forms of aggression and intervention and for independence.

The non-aligned movement is a mighty anti-imperialist revolutionary force of our time and at present many international problems are being solved in a fair way thanks to the joint struggle of the non-aligned countries.

The imperialists and colonialists are resorting to all sorts of machinations to wreck the revolutionary activities of the non-aligned movement.

Under such condition the two sides held that the non-aligned countries should more firmly unite, form a broad anti-imperialist united front and deal a decisive blow with united strength at the splitting and alienating manoeuvres of the imperialists.

The two sides attached special importance to the Fifth Summit Conference of the Non-Aligned Countries and expressed the conviction that the conference would be a historic meeting in marking a new milestone in the struggle of the peoples of the non-aligned countries to frustrate the splitting manoeuvres of the imperialists and achieve national liberation and sovereignty, peace and social progress under the banner of unity and the banner of independence against imperialism and manifested the unanimous resolve to exert concerted efforts for this.

Concerning the African situation, the two sides extended warm congratulations to the peoples of Guinea-Bissau, Cape Verde Islands, Mozambique, Angola, Sao Tome and Principe, Comoros, the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic and Seychelles who have won independence in recent years.

The two sides resolutely denounced the international imperialists for planning to deliver even equipment for the production of nuclear weapons to the fascist white minority racist regimes in South Africa and Rhodesia to maintain as ever their colonial domination over Africa and the South African racist clique for barbarously massacring Azanian people in Soweto and various other places some time ago in collusion with the international imperialists.

The two sides expressed firm support and solidarity for the peoples of Zimbabwe, Namibia and Azania in their just struggle for freedom and liberation and for the entire African people in the struggle for the complete liberation and unity of Africa.

The two sides warmly hailed the historic victory won by the Indochinese peoples in their national liberation struggle and the reunification of North and South Viet Nam and wished the Indochinese peoples greater successes in their struggle at a new stage for building a peaceful, reunified, independent and prospering, new society.

The two sides resolutely denounced the ceaseless criminal acts of the imperialist aggressors and Zionists against the Arab peoples and expressed firm solidarity with the Palestinian people and all the Arab peoples in the struggle to take back the occupied territories and restore the national rights of the Palestinian people.

The two sides manifested firm solidarity with the Latin American people in their struggle against the imperialists' interference and domination and for defending sovereignty, territorial waters right and natural resources.

The two sides unanimously stressed the need to further expand and strengthen the relations of fraternal friendship and cooperation between the Korean and Benin peoples in all fields.

The Korean side highly appraised the proclamation of the People's Republic of Benin and the foundation of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin, the vanguard party, at the end of last year in the course of the development of the October 26, 1972 revolution, a momentous event which opened a new era in the history of the Benin people.

The Korean side warmly congratulated the Benin people who under the correct leadership of their outstanding leader Comrade President Mathieu Kerekou are strengthening the national unity, nationalizing enterprises owned by foreign monopolies and successfully building an independent national economy and national culture, firmly adhering to independence, and sincerely wished them greater successes in their struggle to advance along the road of socialism.

The Korean side expressed firm solidarity with the People's Republic of Benin which, pursuing the non-alignment policy beneath the uplifted banner of anti-imperialism and independence in the field of external relations, is strengthening the Organization of African Unity and waging a just struggle to achieve the complete liberation and unity of Africa.

The Benin side highly estimated the brilliant successes and rich experiences the Korean people have gained in the socialist revolution and socialist construction by embodying the Juche idea under the correct leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade President Kim Il Sung and warmly wished them greater successes in their cause of socialist construction.

The Benin side expressed full support and solidarity for the three principles and five-point policy of national reunification set forth by the respected and beloved leader Comrade President Kim Il Sung and for the Korean people's just struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

The Benin side condemned the "two Koreas" plot of the imperialist aggressors and stooges tailing after them and their criminal manoeuvrs to ignite a new war and strongly demanded that the "UN Command" in south Korea be dissolved, the foreign aggression troops withdrawn from there and the United States agree to conclude a peace agreement which will replace the Armistice Agreement in accordance with the resolution of the 30th session of the UN General Assembly.

The Korean side recognized that the Benin government's severance of all relations established with the south Korean puppet regime by the former government, which was taken as a revolutionary measure against international imperialism and its stooges, greatly encouraged the Korean people and considerably contributed to the unity of the peoples of the countries of the new emerging forces.

The two sides expressed the conviction that if the countries of the new emerging forces resolutely fight to attain the common goal, firmly uniting politically and closely cooperating economically, they can rapidly build a new world free from imperialism, colonialism and racism and from all forms of aggression and pillage.

The two sides noted with satisfaction that the visit of the Party and government delegation of the People's Republic of Benin headed by His Excellency Mathieu Kerekou, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and President of the People's Republic of Benin, to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was a momentous event in developing the relations of fraternal friendship and cooperation between the peoples of Korea and Benin to a higher stage and made a great contribution to strengthening the unity of the Asian and African peoples and the non-aligned countries opposed to imperialism and colonialism.

Comrade Mathieu Kerekou, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin and President of the People's Republic of Benin, extended a fraternal invitation to Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, to pay an official visit to the People's Republic of Benin.

Comrade Kim Il Sung accepted this invitation with pleasure and it was decided to set the date of the visit in the future.

Comrade President Mathieu Kerekou was deeply impressed by the warm and fraternal welcome and hospitality accorded to him and the members of the delegation by the Korean people and expressed deep thanks to Comrade President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved, great leader of the Korean people, and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people for this in the name of the delegation and the Benin people and in his own.

Pyongyang, July 15, 1976

Struggle Goes On Even in Jail

The autumn of 1929 found the Kirin city in a terror-ridden atmosphere.

The Japanese imperialist brutes were making a wholesale roundup. Streets and alleys were swarmed with policemen and secret agents.

Even in such a situation the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung made energetic efforts to save the revolutionary organizations and revolutionary comrades he had formed and brought up with great care but, unfortunately, he himself was arrested by the enemy, and was put to torture continually.

The enemy, however, could not break his revolutionary will and weaken his faith in the least. Cells were narrow and gloomy. Prisoners suffered from cold, hunger and mistreatment by the ferocious warders. Seeing them, the great leader further confirmed his determination to deliver the country and fellow countrymen from the shackles.

The great leader pored over the way of struggle.

He did not allow himself to stop fighting in any adversity.

He planned to educate those with national conscience among the warders and win them over to the side of revolution. So, he intentionally got in touch with them. The magnanimous personality of the great leader, his sincere persevering education and his exceptional power of influence succeeded in converting some of the warders into sympathizers and helpers of revolution.

A member of the revolutionary organization who had been confined in the cell with the great leader at that time made the following remarks:

The warders respected him and tried to offer every convenience to him. But this was not all. They were precisely "contacts" who transmitted his secret messages to the revolutionary organizations outside the prison and brought to him secret information from them. I was really struck with admiration when I found it out later. That kind of work could have hardly been done unless their lives had been risked....

Through various informations brought in by the "contacts" the great leader always made deep study of the revolutionary situation at home and abroad even behind bars and gave guidance to the revolutionary organizations in line with the development of the situation. As a result, the revolutionary organizations which had become dull though temporarily resumed their brisk activities.

The great leader studied as hard as ever even in jail.

The books and newspapers were made available as the contact with the outside organizations became more frequent. The great leader read them without fail and also helped his comrades in their studies.

The great leader said to those comrades who then neglected their study in the following vein:

It is true that life in prison is hard. But, you were once determined to make revolution and restore the lost country. If you fail to remain calm enough to continue your studying in face of this sort of trial, it would hardly be permissible. Isn't that so? The revolutionists should make revolution when and where. To do this they should not put off their studying even a day.

The great leader's teaching and revolutionary habit of studying served them as a living example.

The great leader would give impassioned lectures at night. As such a night went on, zeal for struggle began to grow in the minds of the prisoners.

While educating prisoners, the great leader put up a struggle for frustrating the insidious attempt of the enemies to prolong the examination of the cases and for releasing the revolutionary comrades from jail as early as possible. He himself wrote a letter of protest to be submitted to the authorities.

Having received a letter of protest demanding the immediate passage of judgement on the prisoners and the improvement of their treatment, the enemies were thrown into confusion but they rather attempted to threaten the prisoners.

As planned beforehand, the great leader aroused all prisoners to hunger strike.

The strike lasted three days.

As the strike went on with unremitting tenacity, there appeared one waverer after another among the non-political convicts.

The great leader saw to it that the revolutionary comrades encouraged those waverers and the revolutionary organizations outside exposed the enemy's inhumane acts and stirred up public opinion.

The enemy could not but surrender and approve the letter of protest finally.

The victory was great.

Many revolutionary comrades were thus released and the outrageous acts of warders against the prisoners also diminished gradually.

The might of unity exerted great political influence upon the non-political prisoners and kindled in their hearts the conviction of victory.

The peak of victory the great leader aimed to scale was high and rugged. He pondered more deeply on the future of our revolution and on the way of saving the homeland and the nation in distress.

The great leader analyzed the cause of failure and the experience and lesson of the previous national-liberation movement and reviewed the struggle he himself had waged.

In the days when the great leader formulated the line and policies of our revolution and put them into effect, his thinking and spirit of inquiry went first to the problem of armed struggle at all times.

The armed enemy had to be wiped out only with arms.

This was a lesson of the national-liberation struggle gained at the cost of blood and a requirement governing the process of the development of the mass movement in our country which was becoming more violent.

In early May 1930 the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was set free from Kirin prison. Now he had in his mind a great plan for the victory of the Korean revolution.

Kim Gwang Su

DEEP AFFECTION

It was one day when the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was engaged in a tenacious struggle in the Kirin prison.

A young man who was in the same cell with him was to be set free. He came close to the great leader who kindly looked after him and enlightened him. He bade him farewell in a tearful voice.

The great leader grasped the young man's hand with delight, but his face clouded suddenly, as he saw the latter's clothes which were unspeakably tattered as a result of a long prison life. The great leader gazed at him for a while and said, **"Indeed, you are quite shabbily dressed".** Then the great leader took off his school uniform and offered it to him. The youth looked at the great leader and remained in silence, not knowing what it meant.

Gently putting his hand on the young man's shoulder, the great leader told him:

"Take mine and give me yours."

Greatly surprised at this, the youth replied "...No, I can't, sir!..." He said no more.

The great leader said to him smiling, **"Never mind, clothes matter little in this cell. Put on mine, quick!"** And then he himself helped him to wear the uniform, encouraging the young comrade to fight unyieldingly against the Japanese imperialist aggressors and the exploiting classes after his release.

The great leader was afraid the youth should feel ashamed of his being set free in rags and wanted him to fight with pride as a revolutionist. His comrades in the cell felt their hearts swell with his tender love and deep thought.

"The Juche Idea of President KIM IL SUNG Is a Great Guiding Idea of Our Times and an Invincible Revolutionary Banner"

Repercussion of Public Circles of Non-Aligned Countries, Countries of New-Emerging Forces

Many progressive people and public circles of non-aligned countries, countries of new-emerging forces are now unanimous in highly praising the immortal Juche idea created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung as "a great guiding idea of our times", "an invincible revolutionary banner" and "a bright beacon illumining the way ahead of the world's people."

Radio Rwanda said: "The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was born in a patriotic and revolutionary family which had valiantly fought for several generations for the country's independence and the people's freedom and liberation. He is a great thinker and theoretician who originated the Juche idea, the greatest guiding idea of our times, and has led the revolution and construction along the road of victory and the great revolutionary leader who is possessed of a scientific revolutionary theory, an outstanding ability of leadership and lofty virtues."

The Secretary of the Association for Panama-Korea Friendship and Culture had this to say: "The Juche idea clarifies the revolutionary principle—Juche in ideology, independence in politics, self-support in economy and self-defence in national defence.

As an idea reflecting the demand of the present era and the future of mankind most correctly and scientifically the Juche idea is, indeed, a great guiding idea fully conforming with the desire of the third world people, and a bright beacon illumining the road they should follow."

A journalist of the Congo News Agency remarked: "The Juche idea fathered by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the Korean people, constitutes the basis of all theories and a great universal truth for the revolution and construction in Korea and for the revolutionary struggle and socialist construction in the whole world."

The Chairman of the Pakistan-Korea Friendship Association noted: "The Juche idea, Kimilsungism, is a great guiding idea of our times which has a universal significance and which the revolutionary people in Asia, Africa and Latin America and the rest of the world should learn from.

Reading the immortal classic works of President Kim Il Sung, I realized more deeply that Kimilsungism is an encyclopedic idea which has never been in world history. It is because Kimilsungism gives the most complete and scientific answers to all problems of our times."

The Kuwaiti newspaper "Al Kabas" said: "As the great leader President Kim Il Sung founded the Juche idea, there has been started a new era of history, an era of Juche in which the masses of the people oppressed and exploited in the days gone by appear as the master of the world and carve out their destinies independently and creatively."

The head of the "Institute for the Study of the Juche Idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung" of the Chilian people in Algeria remarked: "The Juche idea of President Kim Il Sung is a great guiding idea of our times and an invincible revolutionary banner.

In order to win victory in the revolutionary struggle, the working class should study without fail the Juche idea which reflects the law governing the development of their revolutionary struggle and the urgent demand of our times."

The Minister of Education of Panama had this to say: "President Kim Il Sung originated the great Juche idea, a new idea most correctly reflecting the demand of our times, and has correctly led the people under the uplifted banner of independence and has turned Korea into the fatherland of Juche, into a model country for the people who are striving to build a new life.

A road of Juche, a road of independence—this is a road of victory the third world people should follow and a path of righteousness mirroring the demand of the times."

The Minister of Education, Culture, Youth and Sports of Benin said: "The Juche idea brilliantly founded by President Kim Il Sung is shedding light all over the world beyond the bounds of Korea and we have accepted the Juche idea as ours."

The head of the Egyptian military delegation which had visited Korea said: "Guided by the Juche idea and fully embodying the Juche idea in all fields of politics, economy, military affairs and culture, the great Korean people have attained great successes in the revolution and construction. This serves as a fine example we should follow."

The Advisor in Charge of Student Affairs in Prime Minister's Palace of Pakistan pointed out: "All the victories in Korea have been achieved thanks to the full embodiment of the Juche idea of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung....

We must learn from the Juche idea of the great leader His Excellency President Kim Il Sung."

A member of the delegation of the People's Progressive Party of Gambia which had visited Korea stressed: "If the idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung spreads all over the world and is translated into practice, the world will be converted into an absolutely perfect new world."

A friend of Pakistan said: "Our century and our times are a Kim Il Sung era and a century of Kimilsungism. Kimilsungism will shine forever."

United States, Disband "UN Command" in Accordance with UNGA Resolution!

Korean Reunification Support Committees Formed in Many Countries

Cyprus Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification Inaugurated

An inauguration of the Cyprus Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification was held in Nicosia, the capital of Cyprus, on June 11, according to a report.

Hung in place of honour in the hall was a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

A letter to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was unanimously adopted at the inauguration amid the enthusiastic applause of its attendants.

The Chairman of the Cyprus Socialist Party spoke first at the inauguration.

Noting that the Korean question has become a focal point in the general international situation, he said:

It is a very important question to intensify the movement of solidarity with the Korean people at present.

A stride forward has been made in the struggle of the Korean people for national reunification thanks to the policy of national reunification laid down by the great leader President Kim Il Sung and his wise leadership over the struggle for its implementation, he stressed. He warmly supported and hailed the adoption of the resolution of our side at the 30th United Nations General Assembly by an overwhelming majority vote and our country's full membership of the non-aligned movement.

He vehemently denounced the US imperialists' manoeuvres to unleash a new war.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung crushed two imperialisms, US and Japanese, and is doing his all for the world anti-imperialist revolutionary cause, he noted, and continued: The Cypriot people are waging the anti-imperialist struggle following the example of the Korean people who are standing on the forefront of the anti-imperialist struggle.

He went on:

The United States must disband the "UN Command", withdraw its forces from south Korea and respond to the replacement of the Armistice Agreement by a peace agreement in accordance with the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly.

In closing, he manifested a firm pledge to conduct a more powerful movement of solidarity with the Korean people in the sacred struggle for national reunification.

Next speaker was Chrysanthos Savvides, Member of the Political Bureau and Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Cyprus Socialist Party.

He noted that it is an internationalist duty of the world progressive people to support and encourage the struggle of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

He bitterly denounced the manoeuvres of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to provoke a new war and demanded the immediate withdrawal of the US imperialist aggression forces from south Korea.

The inauguration unanimously adopted a declaration appealing to the progressive political parties and public organizations and progressive peoples the world over to wage a powerful movement supporting Korea's reunification.

The declaration said:

For the purpose of developing the movement of solidarity with the Korean people struggling for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country we inaugurated the Cyprus Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification and its branch in Limassol and will form local organizations in all other areas.

We consider it as our basic duty to support the policy of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, oppose all criminal atrocities of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique in south Korea and wage an energetic movement for the withdrawal of the US troops from south Korea and thus create a favourable phase for Korea's reunification.

We ardently appeal to all the progressive political parties, public organizations and people of the world who love freedom and peace to vigorously wage the movement of solidarity with the Korean people struggling for their country's reunification.

"Association for Supporting Reunification of Korean Nation" Formed in Tokyo

An inaugural meeting of the "Association for Supporting the Reunification of the Korean Nation" was held in Tokyo on July 3.

Addressing the meeting, Socialist Member of the Upper House Hideo Den said: Owing to the "revitalized system" set up by the Pak Jung Hi dictatorial "regime" the North-South Joint Statement has been mercilessly trampled down and a big obstacle is lying in the way of reunification.

He expressed firm solidarity with the south Korean people in their fight to win genuine freedom and democracy through the abolition of the fascist "revitalized system" and the resignation of the Pak "regime". He said that the Japanese people should make every possible effort to this end.

Film critic Yoshihiko Okamoto made a report on the inauguration of the "Association for Supporting the Reunification of the Korean Nation" and proclaimed the inauguration of the association to the public at home and abroad.

Speeches were made at the inaugural meeting by Yasuyuki Okimoto, Member of the Lower House from the Komei Party, on behalf of the sponsors and several others. The congratulatory message of Tokuma Utsunomiya, Liberal Democratic Member of the Lower House, and other congratulatory messages were read out there.

The inauguration unanimously adopted an appeal of the "Association for Supporting the Reunification of the Korean Nation." (KCNA)

Korean People Will Foil New War Provocation Manoeuvres of US Imperialism and Achieve Independent, Peaceful Reunification of Their Country

Kim Ryong Yon, Lieutenant General of the Korean People's Army

On July 27, 1953, twenty-three years ago, the Korean people and officers and men of the People's Army won a historic victory after defeating the US imperialist aggressors in the great Fatherland Liberation War.

Now, all the Korean people and KPA officers and men are unanimous in extending the greatest honour and thanks to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and the genius of military strategy, who led the Fatherland Liberation War to a great victory. At the same time, they are bracing themselves up with burning resolve to drive the US imperialist aggressors out of the territory of their homeland and realize the historic cause of the country's reunification, the highest desire of the nation.

The Fatherland Liberation War, a war forced upon us by the Yankee imperialist aggressors, was a life-and-death struggle decisive of the destiny of our country, the severest trial for our Party and our people.

In a desperate bid to suffocate the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in its cradle, the US imperialist aggressors who had boasted of being the "strongest" in the world mobilized a huge armed force, over 2 million strong, including the main forces of their three services and the troops of 15 satellite countries and south Korean puppet troops, and sent vast quantities of up-to-date combat equipment, and resorted to such barbarous ways and means of warfare as to be without precedent in history.

But, our people and officers and men of the People's Army, firmly united as one around the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and following his illustrious leadership, waged a valorous struggle to repel the invaders, and won the historic victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"In this great struggle, our people fought with monolithic determination and unity under the correct leadership of the Party and the Government of the Republic. They were thereby capable of honourably withstanding the harsh trials of war and winning an historic victory by inflicting an ignominious defeat on US imperialism and its running dogs." (Kim Il Sung, *Selected Works*, Eng. ed., Vol. V, p. 145.)

Our people's historic triumph in the Fatherland Liberation War is a valuable fruition of the outstanding leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the fruit gained under the rays of his immortal Juche idea.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung firmly equipped the whole Party, the whole army and the entire people with the great Juche idea, the indefatigable revolutionary spirit and the socialist patriotism, and united them closely. With his superb wisdom and resourcefulness and exceptional perspicacity he set forth the well-advised military strategic policies and original tactics in each stage of war, and confidently led the entire people and all the KPA men and officers in the struggle to put them into effect. In this way, he overcame the enemy's numerical and technical superiority with political and ideological, strategic and tactical superiority, leading the war steadfastly to a victory.

Under the wise guidance of the great leader our people and the heroic People's Army fought like an undying bird with the intense loyalty to him, and knocked down the US imperialist aggressors, thereby honourably safeguarding the independence of the country and the sovereignty of the nation.

The historic victory of our people in the Fatherland Liberation War demonstrated to the whole world that the Korean people and the People's Army, with the wise leadership of the great revolutionary leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, were invincible, and it clearly showed that a people who rose in the struggle for freedom, independence and progress, firmly taking their destiny into their hands, can never be conquered by any imperialist force of aggression. By winning a great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War, our people foiled the US imperialists' new world war provocation moves and defended the security of the socialist countries and peace in Asia and the rest of the world with credit. Nor was this all. They humbled the US imperialists and started them on the downgrade. This marked a new stage in the development of the national liberation struggle and the anti-imperialist, anti-US struggle.

After the war our Party and the Government of our Republic under the well-advised guidance of the great leader made every sincere effort to convert the ceasefire into a durable peace and achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of the country while stepping up the revolution and construction in the northern half of the Republic.

But, the US imperialists, far from drawing due lessons from their defeat in the Korean war and withdrawing from south Korea, stayed on in south Korea with their invariable ambition for aggression on the whole of Korea and other parts of Asia and steeped themselves in aggression and war moves, interfering in the internal affairs of our country.

Particularly since they were kicked out of Indochina, the US imperialists have been working hard to keep their hold on south Korea as a stepping stone for their aggression on the whole of Korea and the rest of Asia according to their aggressive plan under the notorious "new Pacific doctrine" and to unleash another war of aggression against the Korean people and the revolutionary forces in Asia, using south Korea as a military and strategic base. And this has been done entirely in disregard of our just proposal for concluding a peace agreement and the resolution of the 30th Session of the UN General Assembly calling for the dissolution of the "UN Command" and withdrawal of all foreign troops from south Korea.

The US imperialists declared south Korea to be their "forward defence area" and mapped out even new aggressive war plans such as a "plan for nine-day operations" and a "plan for five-day operations" with a wild ambition to occupy the whole of Korea in a short time.

Raving that if a war breaks out in Korea they will launch "full-scale military intervention" and will unhesitatingly "use even nuclear weapons", the US imperialists have reinforced their armed forces occupying south Korea, reorganized the operational command system and deployed in the areas close to the Military Demarcation Line large quantities of mass destruction weapons and up-to-date combat equipment including nuclear weapons. They are now watching for a chance to invade the north.

Not only this. The US imperialists are actively inveigling the Japanese reactionary forces into their policy of war against Korea. They keep the "crack units" of their three services in Okinawa, a base where to start their aggression on Korea, always ready for action on the Korean front. They have established even the "air and marine support system" under which their aggressive armed forces are to be quickly transferred to the Korean front from the US mainland and their bases on the Pacific Ocean and in Japan in case they trigger off war in Korea.

Furthermore, the US imperialists have already shipped into south Korea a large quantity of ammunitions of all kinds including rocket shells from their powder magazine in Japan. They got frantic in staging such provocative war exercises as the piratic "south Korea-US joint air-raid and nosedive operation" and the "south Korea-US joint naval amphibious mobile exercise" with the mobilization of fighter-bombers of latest type, nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and even US marine corps from the continental United States and Okinawa, Japan.

Meanwhile, the US imperialists have been giving the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique blood transfusion, egging them on to follow the path of treachery and military adventure.

The traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique always try to find a way out in dependence on foreign forces. They have reduced south Korea to a dual colony of the United States and Japan, while imploring for the perpetual occupation of south Korea by the US imperialist aggressor troops and strengthening the political, economic and military collusion with the Japanese reactionaries in wanton violation of the agreements of the North-South Joint Statement at the instigation of US imperialism, their master.

Now, a terror-ridden atmosphere reigns all over south Korea with military terrorism rampant, because the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique have issued in succession the "emergency decrees" and other fascist draconic laws in addition to the ever-present "state of emergency" and have further been intensifying their suppression of the people. Under the pretext of the non-existent "threat of southward invasion" they have put the whole of south Korea on a wartime footing and rigged up all sorts of military organizations. They are now in a fit of frenzy to force south Korean people to undergo military training.

These days they are raising the vicious "anti-communist" clamour by even staging the nonsensical farce under the theme of "southward invasion" and "infiltration" from the north and are committing military provocations in the areas along the MDL almost every day.

The present-day situation in Korea has become strained to the extreme owing to the reckless aggressive war provocation manoeuvres of the US imperialists and their stooges. It is fraught with a grave danger of a war breaking out again at any moment.

The new war provocation manoeuvres of the US imperialists in Korea constitute a grave menace to peace in Asia and the rest of the world.

Little wonder that the demand for the withdrawal of the US imperialist aggressor troops from south Korea, the consolidation of peace in Korea and the realization of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea has become an irresistible trend of the times and a world-wide tendency at present.

The US imperialists must discard their unfruitful aggressive ambition and pull out of south Korea without delay, taking along all their aggressive armed forces and lethal weapons, in accordance with the UN resolution as unanimously demanded by the world's people.

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique must look straight at the reality and act with discretion. The Japanese reactionaries must not allow themselves to get involved in the US imperialists' policies of reckless aggression and war and must not stand in the way of Korea's reunification.

The DPRK has now grown incomparably stronger than 20 years ago.

Our people and officers and men of the People's Army are now more firmly armed with the immortal Juche idea than ever before and united rock-firm around the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung. In the northern half of the Republic the Juche-based socialist system has been established, and a solid independent national economy and the revolutionary armed forces each of whose members is a match for a hundred foes have been built. We now have invincible defence capabilities.

The world progressive people's support to and solidarity with our people in their struggle for the country's independent and peaceful reunification are daily increasing. In all parts of the world we have an ever-increasing number of friends supporting us.

If the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique dare to ignite another reckless war of aggression in Korea, turning a deaf ear to our repeated warnings and going against this strong current of the world towards anti-imperialism and independence, our people and the People's Army will answer it with a decisive counterblow and annihilate the aggressors at a stroke.

Victory and glory are always in store for our people and the heroic Korean People's Army who are smashing the US imperialists' aggression and war provocation manoeuvres at every step and fighting vigorously to promote the country's independent and peaceful reunification, rallied more closely around the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero and brilliant military strategist.

US Imperialists, Give Up New War Provocation Moves at Once!

Sternly Denounce US Imperialists' Incessant Introduction of Huge Aggressive Armed Forces into S. Korea as Criminal Action Jeopardizing Peace in Whole Korea and Asia

Spokesman of DPRK Foreign Ministry Issues Statement

The United States' massive transfer of its aggressor forces to south Korea from other parts of Asia is aimed at bolstering up at any price the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique facing an imminent destruction, keeping Korea divided into "two Koreas" indefinitely and invading the whole of Korea and Asia with south Korea as a base of military strategic importance.

A spokesman of the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea declared this in a statement released on July 12 condemning the US imperialists for having secretly introduced into south Korea shortly ago the US eighth tactical combat air group which won the ill-fame of a man-hunting air group by participating in the Viet Nam war of aggression with Thailand as a base and stepped up the preparations for a new war against our Republic.

The US imperialists' introduction of the US eighth tactical combat air group into south Korea is another wanton violation of the Korean Armistice Agreement and an outrageous challenge to the Korean people and the world progressive people, the statement said.

The United States declared south Korea its "forward defence area" after its disgraceful defeat in the Indochinese war of aggression and has since incessantly transferred its aggression forces to south Korea from other parts of Asia and more frequently staged war exercises, the statement pointed out, and continued:

All facts patently prove that the United States' new war provocation manoeuvres against our Republic have reached an extremely grave stage and the danger of new war now existing in Korea is resulting not from the "threat of southward aggression" from the north but from the moves for northward invasion from the south.

The US imperialists must face the trend of the times and stop running riot, the statement declared, and continued:

The United States must discontinue at once its manoeuvres of aggression and war against the Korean people, disband the "UN Command" and quit south Korea without delay taking its aggression forces and mass destruction weapons along as the resolution of the United Nations demands.

If the US imperialists persist in their new war provocation manoeuvres in Korea in disregard of the unanimous desire of the Korean people and the world peaceloving people, they will suffer an irreversible, heavier defeat.

A Dangerous Criminal Move to Draw Japan into Aggressive Korean War

Recently a "US-Japan defence cooperation sub-committee" was rigged up in Tokyo by the US and Japanese governments with a view to taking joint military actions in case of emergency in Korea.

With a wild ambition to occupy the whole of Korea in a short span of time, the US imperialists already mapped out a sinister war plan and reorganized their unified operational command system in keeping with the wartime condition. Now, they formed such an aggressive military apparatus as "US-Japan defence cooperation sub-committee". The result is that the US-Japan joint operational command system has been perfected after a protracted effort to this end. Accordingly, the military "integration" of the US, Japan and south Korean puppets has become closer still. And this will render it possible to put US imperialist aggressor troops, Japanese "self-defence forces" and south Korean puppet army into action in case of war under the unified command of the US imperialists.

The US imperialists fabricated the US-Japan joint aggressive military apparatus in haste. This has something to do with the fact that their aggressive policy toward Asia has been foiled due to their shameful defeat in Indochina, that their colonial ruling system in south Korea is shaken to its very foundation and that they are in such a serious economic crisis as is without precedent. They are trying to tide over their internal and external crises and achieve their ambition for aggression on the whole of Korea and other parts of Asia by triggering off a new war in Korea. In fulfilling this ambition they regard Japan as the "main pillar to prop up the political and military strategy of the United States in the Far East" and consider it as a matter of vital importance to mobilize and use the armed forces of Japan.

Hence, at the "Japan-US summit conference" and the "talks between the Secretary of Defence and the Director of the Defence Agency" in August last year the US imperialists agreed with the Japanese government on this point—if they unleash a new aggressive war in Korea, they will be authorized to use the territory of Japan as a starting base, an operational and supply base and a nuclear-attack base—and discussed the question of activating the Japanese "self-defence forces" under the pretext of "defence assignments". The formation of the aggressive military apparatus called "US-Japan defence cooperation sub-committee" by US imperialism has resulted in strengthening the US-Japan military tie-up and putting the military operational command system on a single footing. This will make it possible to carry into practice in a specific form their strategic policy of tapping the political and economic potentialities of Japan and drawing her "self-defence forces" into an aggressive war in Korea.

Facts patently show that the "US-Japan defence cooperation sub-committee" is nothing but a military apparatus of US imperialism for its Asian aggression and will function as a "joint operational command" to coordinate the US-Japan joint military operations to be conducted in an aggressive war in Korea and swallow up the whole of Korea and the rest of Asia.

All these grave criminal acts of the US and Japanese reactionaries are an outrageous challenge to the Korean people and the other peoples of the world who are endeavouring to drive the US troops out of south Korea and achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

The Japanese government tries to join in a new aggressive war against the Korean people, following the US imperialist policy of Asian aggression. Its undisguised hostile act against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is an anachronistic, rash act and is a disgraceful act that impairs the national dignity and independence of the Japanese people. Its scheme to participate in the US imperialists' "two Koreas" plot and an aggressive war shows that the Japanese imperialists have become again a dangerous aggressive force in Asia together with the US imperialists and act as enemy of the people who are striving for liberation and independence.

If the Japanese reactionaries persist in barring the people from the cause of independence in tandem with the US imperialists, they will certainly be denounced, isolated and rejected by the world's people.

The Japanese reactionaries must look at today's reality squarely, refrain from the anachronistic US-toeing policy and stop the wildcat act to block Korea's reunification and increase the danger of war.

If the US imperialists do not want to sustain even more crushing defeat, they should discontinue their aggression and war provocation manoeuvres against the Korean people and pull out of south Korea at once.

Choe Pyong

US Imperialism: Culprit Exacerbating Tension in Violation of Armistice Agreement

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has pointed out:

"The US imperialists have incessantly increased their military potentialities in south Korea in systematic violation of the Armistice Agreement after the war, and in recent years in particular, have embarked upon further reinforcing them."

Ever since the conclusion of the Korean Armistice Agreement which opened up a new possibility for peaceful solution of the question of Korea's reunification, the US imperialists have wantonly violated it and ceaselessly keyed up tension in Korea to a still higher pitch in an attempt to ignite a new war with a view to carrying out their invariable, aggressive designs which were frustrated during the aggressive Korean war.

Provisions of Armistice Agreement Scrapped Unilaterally, International Observers Teams Deported

Less than half a month after the signing of the Armistice Agreement, the US imperialists concluded the "ROK-US Mutual Defence Treaty" with the south Korean puppet clique, a pact which "justified" a perpetual occupation of south Korea by their aggression troops. This was a gross violation of the Armistice Agreement providing for the withdrawal of foreign troops from Korea. Later, in December 1953, they rejected the convocation of a political conference for the peaceful settlement of the question of Korea's reunification envisaged in the Armistice Agreement, and contravened the provisions of the Armistice Agreement one after another more openly.

A new-type battleship brought to south Korea by the US imperialist aggressors after the publication of the North-South Joint Statement

The Armistice Agreement says that amendments and additions to it "must be mutually agreed to by the Commanders of the opposing sides". The US imperialists, however, unilaterally declared in June 1957 the repeal of Sub-paragraph 13d of the Armistice Agreement that provides for prohibition of the introduction into Korea of reinforcing military personnel and combat materials. What was more, the south Korean puppet clique raved that the "Armistice Agreement was completely scrapped".

Earlier, the US imperialists did all they could to throw obstacles in the way of the supervision and inspection by the Neutral Nations Inspection Teams at the ports of entry in south Korea which were designated by the two opposing sides through mutual agreement.

When the members of the Neutral Nations Inspection Teams were about to inspect the combat weapons which were brought into Pusan port on September 11, 1953, the personnel of the US side did not allow the inspection, stating: "We are under the order from our superior not to open the boxes even if so demanded by the Neutral Nations Inspection Teams". Lacey, the then Senior Member of the US side to the Military Armistice Commission, openly declared: "The UN Forces have not permitted, and will not permit in the future, too, the Neutral Nations Inspection Teams to get on board a ship for inspection".

The US imperialists perpetrated outrageous crimes without letup; they now clubbed some members of the Neutral Nations Inspection Teams and then killed others by running a car over them and masterminded a crash of the plane carrying still other NNIT members. In the end they deported the Inspection Teams from south Korea in June 1956. This was a brazen-faced criminal act on their part.

Up-to-date Lethal Weapons Illegally Introduced, South Korea Turned into Nuclear Base

In May 1957, Dulles, the then US Secretary of State, prattled that the United States would "ship more modernized and highly efficient weapons of various kinds" into south Korea. Around that time the US imperialists doubled the numerical strength of the south Korean puppet army as compared with that at the time of ceasefire and got even more undisguised in introduction of various types of lethal weapons and other combat equipment in violation of the Sub-paragraph 13d of the Korean Armistice Agreement.

In those days they brought into south Korea "Honest John" rockets and 280-mm atomic guns and "Nike Hercules" and "Hawk" guided missiles in a big way, thereby overtly turning south Korea into a base for atomic bombs and guided missiles.

In further contravention of the Armistice Agreement, the US imperialists kept their aggressor troops stationed in south Korea and reinforced them.

The recent years witnessed their intensified efforts to convert south Korea into a nuclear base in pursuance of their policies of aggression and war. Larock, ex-rear admiral of the US navy, testified that the "US nuclear warheads and nuclear bombs are stored in the concreted igloo-type bunkers" in south Korea and added that there exist in south Korea "large quantities of US forces' nuclear-carrier weapons". A US Congressman disclosed that the "United States keeps 1,000 nuclear weapons and 54 nuclear bomb-carrier planes in south Korea". The US military experts said that hundreds of nuclear bombs and shells, scores of nuclear missiles and their launchers plus hundreds of nuclear mines are placed in south Korea. Especially noteworthy is Larock's testimony that nuclear-armed forces of US imperialism are deployed in the areas close to the Military Demarcation Line.

The US imperialists have long since worked hard to fortify the Demilitarized Zone in flagrant violation of the Armistice Agreement. In the past 22 years that followed the ceasefire, they brought into the DMZ tanks, armored cars, various types of guns and other heavy weapons on more than 34,600 occasions. Particularly last year marked by their stepped-up preparations for an aggressive war, they introduced into the DMZ various guns and other heavy weapons on over 7,850 occasions. They did the same on more than 100 occasions from January 19 to February 23, this year.

These days the US imperialists have shipped into south Korea "facilities for solid-propellant rockets", which will be used for various guided missiles and other strategic weapons already brought there.

At present the US imperialist aggressor troops occupying south Korea are more than 42,000 strong as openly announced. Besides, there are "missile command", "air defence headquarters" and tactical flying corps of "Phantom" jet fighters. Placed on the frontline are long-range wireless guided missiles, anti-tank missiles and other kinds of up-to-date lethal weapons. Added to these are nuclear mines, nuclear shells and various fieldpieces for them and many other weapons.

The US imperialists, the systematic violators of the Armistice Agreement, have recently transferred to south Korea thousands of tons of ammunition including rocket shells from their aggressor army's powder magazine in Zushi, Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan. In its wake they are trying to stockpile in south Korea a huge amount of war supplies in reserve worth 218.75 million dollars.

Criminal Military Provocations

The US imperialists have staged military provocations against our country with increasing frequency in contravention of the provisions of the Armistice Agreement banning hostile actions and all armed acts. This is an important link in the whole chain of their preparations being pushed forward in south Korea for a new war.

They have incessantly committed armed provocations in the air, on the sea and the ground. They repeatedly sent high-altitude reconnaissance planes to conduct military espionage acts.

At the dictates of the US imperialist war bosses, the commander of the US imperialist aggressive forces occupying south Korea gave the units of the US troops and the south Korean puppet army a provocative instruction to the effect that the gun firing in the DMZ against the northern half of the Republic is permissible. The US imperialists had frequently infiltrated military personnel and armed spies into the territory of the northern half of the Republic to commit murder, arson and kidnapping. Particularly since the ceasefire hardly a day has passed without their firing rifles and guns, from the southern portion of the DMZ, at the areas of the northern half of the Republic. This is well-known a fact.

The Yankee imperialists committed provocative acts on the sea, too. In January 1967 they infiltrated "Patrol Craft Escort No. 56" into our east coastal waters. In January 1968 the US armed spy ship "Pueblo" intruded deep into our territorial waters to conduct espionage activities. Even after the "Pueblo" was captured by the Korean People's Army's self-defence action and meted out punishment, the US imperialists sent a large spy plane "EC-121" to intrude deep into our territorial air for reconnaissance but it was downed. This happened in April 1969.

Meanwhile, they continued to stage war exercises against our country.

Those carried out this year alone are: "South Korea-US naval joint amphibious mobile exercises" with the mobilization of "Midway" and other nuclear-powered vessels of the US 7th Fleet and large units of the third division of the US marine corps, which lasted nearly a month from March 25 near Pohang, south Korea, the large-scale "south Korea-US joint air-raid and nosedive operation" which was conducted on March 5 with the mobilization of "F-111" fighter-bombers, and the "south Korea-US mobile exercise" which was staged from March 8 to 18.

Cases of their military provocation and violation of the Armistice Agreement, counting only those officially brought before the Military Armistice Commission, numbered over 300 in 1954, 2,517 in 1961, 6,484 in 1963, 6,953 in 1965 and 8,438 in 1967. In 1968 the figure jumped to 11,156. Last year it ran into over 28,150. The sum-total of their violation of the Armistice Agreement from the time of ceasefire to the end of last year reached as many as 183,900 or more cases.

The US imperialists answered our fair and realistic policy and proposals for national reunification with all descriptions of military provocations. Now, they pay no heed to the proposal of the Government of our Republic for conclusion of a peace agreement and to the resolution of the 30th Session of the United Nations General Assembly calling for withdrawal of the US troops from south Korea. They refuse to end their aggressive policy toward Korea.

All these facts clearly prove that entirely due to the US imperialists' crude, criminal violation of the Armistice Agreement the situation in our country is now so critical that a war may break out any moment.

Choe Si Hwan

The US imperialist aggressors are engrossed in conducting paratroopers' drill and "Honest John" guided missile launching exercise for a new war in Korea

US Imperialists' Unpardonable Crime: Japanese Reactionaries Inveigled into Their Past War of Aggression in Korea

In the days when they were preparing for a war of aggression on Korea, the US imperialists drew remnants of the defeated Japanese imperialist aggression army directly into working out an operational plan for this purpose.

Those remnants were "a group of over ten generals" of the defeated Japanese imperialist aggression army, including Lieutenant Generals Senichi Kamata and Seizo Arisue and Major Generals Ryukichi Tanaka and Onotera, and Lieut. Gen. Komiyama, who was chief of staff of the "Yamanishi army".

They were ordered by the US imperialists "to complete the plan for the northward march of the ROK army by examining the military operations of the old Japanese army in Korea" on the basis of the materials of the general staff of the Japanese imperialist aggression army.

As far back as December 24, 1948, when they were preparing for a war of aggression on Korea, the US imperialists, defying the strong opposition of world opinion, released 19 "top-class" war criminals and then "promoted" officers of the "imperial army" and bosses of rightist reactionary organizations, instead of punishing them as war criminals.

They had protected and systematically trained Japanese imperialist war criminals to use them as their accomplice and guide, planning a war of aggression in Korea from long ago.

The remnants of the defeated Japanese imperialist aggression army, on the instructions of the command of the US imperialist aggression forces, worked out in top secrecy a criminal plan for a war of aggression on Korea and Asia codenamed "operations A,B,C" on the basis of "materials of Korean operations" of the Japanese imperialists in the past.

The "operations A,B,C" can be summarized:

"Operation A" — to cause a military conflict on the 38th parallel demarcation line and, after issuing a false statement that "north Korea started the attack," hurl 10 divisions of the south Korean puppet army along the 38th parallel to form two fronts;

"Operation B" — to push up to the rivers Amnok-gang and Tumangang and cross the Korea-China borderline under the pretext of "chasing" the People's Army and invade the continent;

"Operation C" — to attack Siberia by coordinated actions of the US and Japanese aggression troops and the south Korean puppet army and ignite the third world war.

Kim Sok Won, a despicable pro-Japanese stooge and rank traitor, who had earned himself an ill fame as "Colonel Kanayama" of the Japanese imperialist aggression army was summoned to Tokyo to join officers of the US imperialist aggression army and remnants of the defeated Japanese imperialist aggression army in working out the above heinous criminal operational plan.

What deserves special attention is the fact that Yoshio Kodama, one of the chief criminals involved in the international Lockheed scandal and an ultra-rightist reactionary element of Japan tightly glued to traitor Pak Jung Hi, ran about like a mad dog already from that time as an agent and accomplice of the US imperialists in aggression.

No sooner had he been released from the Sugamo prison by the US imperialists, his master, than he was drawn deep into the intrigues for the provocation of an aggressive war in Korea.

On this "Shukan Yomiuri" April 3, 1976, said:

"Kodama turned up on the 38th parallel in company with US presidential 'special envoy' Dulles and Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff Bradley shortly before the Korean war.

"Machii of 'Toseikai' was with them. Judging from Dulles' arrival in Japan on June 17, 1950, it is presumed that this took place between this date and June 25, the day of the outbreak of the Korean war". On the instructions of the command of the US imperialist aggression forces, Kadama and Machii got deeply involved in the schemes for the provocation of a war of aggression in Korea, showed up on the 38th parallel just before the war and sent Japanese imperialist aggression troops to the Korean war after its outbreak.

Revealing an aspect of this shady business, "the Pacific Materials Centre" said:

"After the war broke out, Kodama, in cooperation with the US Eighth Army, sent Japanese (edit. former Japanese army men who had been arrested as war criminals) to it by disguising them as 'ROK' army."

Furthermore, Kodama set up such companies as "Tokyo rare metal" at that time and raked in a stupendous amount of profits by undertaking the procurement of war supplies for the US Eighth Army.

Meanwhile, Toshiharu Okubo, former executive director of the "Marubeni" company, now a target of public denunciation for his implication in the international Lockheed scandal, founded "the Nihonkai trading company" in those days to procure war supplies for the US imperialists' war of aggression in Korea.

It is said that Katayama, the then army procurement officer of "G.H.Q" acted the mediator between the US imperialist aggressors and those two companies.

Toshiyoshi Oni, who served at the Tokyo office of the Lockheed aircraft corp. when the US imperialists were engaged in the war of aggression in Korea, infiltrated a Japanese spy ship disguised as a smuggling boat into the Korean coastal waters several times on the instructions of the US air force intelligence corps.

Thus, nearly all the chief criminals implicated in the international Lockheed scandal now under fire of the public took an active part in the US imperialists' war of aggression in Korea and the "basis of shady adhesion" between the Japanese reactionaries and the south Korean puppets were laid around this war.

It was not only in working out the operational plan for their Korean aggression that the US imperialists used the Japanese reactionaries.

They committed without hesitation the criminal act of massively hurling remnants of the defeated Japanese imperialist army on to the Korean war in the uniform of the south Korean puppet army.

The US imperialists demanded of the Japanese government not only material resources, but vast and cheap man-power resources and goaded Japanese militarism into rearmament. What they sought in this was to reorganize the officers and men of the "imperial army" which had accumulated experiences in wars of aggression through a long historical period and use them as a

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INDEPENDENCE—LIFE AND SOUL OF A COUNTRY AND NATION

The world's people are calling for independence and many countries are following the path of independence. This is the main trend of our times that no force can check.

Independence is demanded not only by the people of the countries of the new-emerging forces who have appeared as the master of the world and the master of history, free from the centuries-old subjugation and oppression, but also by the people of capitalist countries.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"Independence is vital to a country and nation. Only when independence is maintained is it possible to defend the dignity of the country and nation and build a prosperous new society."

Independence is the life and soul of a country and nation, because, firstly, it is a principal criterion of a sovereign and independent state.

If a country fails to substantially exercise the sacred right to national self-determination, even though it has attained independence, it can hardly be called a sovereign and independent state.

A country can be called a completely sovereign and independent state, only when it never allows any foreign countries to meddle in its own affairs and violate its national dignity to a slightest degree but solves all problems in conformity with the interests of its people and its actual conditions, guided by its own immovable idea and according to its own judgement and conviction, unaffected by others' pressure or instruction, and only when it stands on a completely equal footing with big and small countries of the world in conducting its activities on the international arena and in developing state and all other relations with them.

Independence is vital to a country and nation, because, secondly, a nation itself is composed of the people who regard independence as their life and soul.

As is generally known, independence is what keeps man alive.

If a man loses independence in society, he cannot be called a man; he differs little from an animal.

A man's existence is hardly thinkable apart from independence. Ignoring independence is tantamount to ignoring man himself.

A nation is a collective of the people who are classified by certain characteristic features.

Accordingly, the independence of a nation finds its expression in independence of all the people who form it. If a nation is to become independent, defend its existence and promote its prosperity, it is essential that the people should enjoy an independent and creative life, free from all sorts of fetters.

Independence is what keeps the existence of a country and nation, because, thirdly, it is an indispensable condition for the people's happiness and the nation's prosperity.

Independence alone can bring a nation happiness and honour. Only when it maintains independence can it become really autonomous and prosperous.

By the happiness of the people and the prosperity of a nation we mean that the masses of the people lead an independent and creative life, free from all kinds of shackles.

An independent, creative life never comes of its own accord but is to be built up only through the successful revolutionary struggle and construction work to extricate the masses of the people from national and class subjugation and from the fetters of nature.

If the people of a country want to properly carry on the revolution and construction, they should firmly adhere to the independent and creative stands.

In other words, the people of each country should hold fast to the principle of solving all problems arising in the revolution and construction in accordance with their own decision, on their own responsibility and mainly by their own efforts.

Only then is it possible to maintain the consistency and principle in formulating the policies and settle all the problems in the revolution and construction on one's own initiative and in conformity with one's interests and specific conditions.

If a people lose independence and, captivated by the idea of relying on outside forces, follow them blindly or leave all things to them, expecting them to help them live a decent life, they will make a mess of the revolution and construction and, in the end, will find themselves destined to slavery.

As the great leader said, when a person turns to flunkeyism he becomes an idiot and when a people take to flunkeyism their country falls into ruin.

Historical experience has shown more than once that the maintenance of independence leads to happiness and prosperity and that reliance on outside forces leads to national ruin. An eloquent proof of this is furnished by today's diametrically different realities of the north and the south of our country.

Under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung our people have built a dignified and powerful socialist state in the northern half of the Republic by firmly adhering to the principle of independence. As a result, our country has ushered in a new era of sovereignty, independence and prosperity and our people have become an honourable people with a high sense of pride.

In contrast, south Korea, reduced to a complete colony of US imperialism, is without the slightest semblance of independence.

The US imperialists lord it over south Korea as its actual ruler who holds real power. The Pak Jung Hi puppet regime is enforcing treacherous policies as a tool of their colonial rule.

Consequently, south Korea is overrun with national humiliation, maltreatment and contempt, and the people are forced to live shackled to others more submissively than they can endure.

All the facts show that independence is vital to a country and nation and that the maintenance of independence is a basic condition decisive of the fate of all nations.

In order to maintain independence, each nation should achieve economic independence.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"Self-reliance in the economy is the material basis of independence."

Failing economic independence, subordination to another country is unavoidable and freedom from colonial slavery is impossible.

If a nation depends on others in the economy, it can never be free to do and speak as it wants to. Economic dependence gives rise to political subordination, and economic inequality inevitably leads to political inequality.

Peoples of newly-independent countries who threw off the imperialist colonial fetters should destroy the economic foundations of the imperialists, regain their lost natural resources and build an independent national economy with their own resources and techniques and by their own efforts in order to consolidate national independence and achieve economic self-sufficiency. The strengthening of economic cooperation among the countries of new-emerging forces is of vital importance in this respect. If these countries tap their abundant resources and economic potentialities and strengthen economic and technical cooperation on the principle of filling each other's needs, though the level of science and technique is low and the economy is backward, they can make a great achievement and make rapid progress without being indebted to great powers.

The anti-imperialist struggle is a requirement of the people's revolutionary cause for advocating independence and is an indispensable guarantee for its victory.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"It is the nature of imperialism to invade and plunder other countries."

Imperialism has grown and become fat by grinding down hundreds of millions of people in the world.

Imperialism cannot live even a moment without recourse to the exploitation and plunder of the people. Aggression and plunder are a form of its existence and its nature.

Only through the anti-imperialist struggle people can attain national liberation and independence and maintain and consolidate them.

The imperialists ruthlessly oppressed and exploited non-aligned countries in the past. Even today when the latter have attained national independence, they persist in aggression and intervention while viciously manoeuvring to plunder and exploit them by a neo-colonialist method.

All facts show that only by intensifying the anti-imperialist struggle, can the non-aligned countries, countries of new-emerging forces, consolidate national independence and make independent development.

It is a decisive guarantee of victory for the peoples of the non-aligned countries who advocate independence to strengthen unity and cooperation in their anti-imperialist struggle. When the peoples of new-emerging forces form an anti-imperialist common front and fight in firm unity, they can repulse any aggression and intervention of the imperialists, prevent them from taking high-handed action on the international arena and establish a new international order in conformity with the interests of the progressive peoples of the world.

The 30th Session of the UN General Assembly which adopted a just resolution on the Korean question last year for the first time in its history and a series of international conferences held around that time tangibly demonstrated the united might of the non-aligned countries which was displayed in the development of the present international relations.

The present time is a time of independence. Voices calling for independence are ringing out on all continents and in all countries of the globe.

People who had been subjected to oppression and maltreatment under imperialist rule in the past have taken their place as the masters of the world and are carving out their destinies by themselves.

No force on earth can bar the vigorous advance of the people who follow the road of independence.

The impetuous tide of independence sweeping across all lands will entomb imperialism once and for all in the history of mankind. The people will not fail to build a new world, free and prosperous.

Cho Son Won

Cannibalistic Brutality Committed by US Imperialist Barbarians

It has recently been disclosed that the Yankees who are as brutal as cannibals perpetrated such a horrible bestiality as savagely maltreating a boy and his two poor sisters taken away from south Korea as "adopted son" and "adopted daughters".

According to an AP dispatch dated June 19, Johnson the villain in California, United States, adopted the said three south Korean children a few years ago through a dealing with the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who were engrossed in selling out their compatriots. Born into a poverty-stricken family in Seoul and orphaned in their earliest infancy, the three kids had to wander from place to place in south Korea begging for food under US imperialist colonial rule and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's misrule until they became adopted children as mentioned above.

The Yankee devil locked them up in a dark, filthy room for four years, feeding them each with a piece of bread once a day. And he worked them hard like slaves under a terrible whip. As a result, one of the girls got heavily wounded, suffering from malnutrition at that. She could hardly move about by herself. She weighed only 28 kg though 16 years old.

She managed to wriggle out of the demon's hideout, unable to endure the humiliation and maltreatment by Johnson and his wife, but was recaptured when she made her way only 7 miles. She is now forced to slave inhumanely again under harsh treatment accompanied by terrific whipping.

The Korean Democratic Lawyers Association held a press conference on July 12 with home and foreign journalists participating and trenchantly condemned the US cannibals' shuddering brutality and indicted it to the whole world. The Central Committee of the DPRK Red Cross Society issued a statement. On July 13 a meeting of women took place in Pyongyang to denounce the barbarity and adopted an appeal to the women throughout the world.

As the statement and the appeal pointed out, the recently exposed thrice-cursed savagery constitutes a shocking crime that can be committed only by the Yankee imperialist barbarians, the descendants of the pirates who randomly invaded other nations and indulged in plunder and slaughter of people and got fat by bleeding the people white. And it affords certain evidence of the ferociousness and cruelty of the US imperialists.

Their outrageous contempt and illtreatment of Koreans have not started today or yesterday but date far back.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"US imperialism is the Korean people's sworn enemy which has engaged in aggression against our country for over 100 years, ever since the intrusion of the U.S.S. *General Sherman*."

The US imperialists are as brutal as a pack of wolves. In the days gone by they crept into Korea under the cloak of "charity" and committed savage acts without hesitation. They burnt the forehead of an innocent Korean boy with hydrochloric acid to form the letter "thief" on the charge that he picked up an apple. And they poisoned to death the innocent children visiting their "hospital" by using them as guinea pigs for their germ weapon test.

The US imperialists still remain unchanged in their atrocities after occupation of south Korea. They shoot dead the children engrossed in picking edible greens on a hill, taking them as pheasants. They kill little kids swimming in a stream by shooting as if they were ducks. They put poison in the hand of a child crying for food in hunger. They have recently gone so far as to disseminate the viruses of the epidemic haemorrhagic fever, a highly mortal malignant infectious disease, among the south Korean people for a germ weapon test.

Their inhumane brutalities against the Korean children and people and infringement upon their human rights are unthinkable apart from the flesh traffic by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, a gang of arch traitors.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi sold out more than 24,000 south Korean children to his overlords, the US imperialists, and other foreign marauders under the guise of "adopted sons" or "adopted daughters" in the past ten years or more after his usurpation of the puppet regime. He went the length of declaring "*kisaeng* tourism" to be a "state enterprise" and reaping money from the lewd foreigners at the sacrifice of the south Korean women's chastity.

This shows that the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are a band of rank traitors and man-killers who leave no barbarity uncommitted for their personal wealth and pleasure.

We hope that the honest-minded people throughout the world who value justice and human dignity will lift up their voices in protest against and in denunciation of the inhumane barbarities of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to hold them in check.

The US imperialists must end their savage acts against the Korean people and get out of south Korea without delay.

Li Jip

Warmly Hail Egyptian People's Victorious Revolution Anniversary

July 23 is the 24th anniversary of the revolution in the Arab Republic of Egypt.

On this occasion the Korean people offer warm felicitations and greetings to the friendly Egyptian people.

The July 23 revolution in 1952 which overthrew the reactionary monarchy of Faruk was a historic event that opened up a broad vista in the struggle of the Egyptian people to create a new life.

Ever since the victorious revolution, the Egyptian people have scored great successes in their endeavour for the country's prosperity, smashing the aggression and subversive activities of the enemies within and without.

The Egyptian government and people brought about such socio-economic changes as to nationalize factories and enterprises owned by the foreign monopolies. And they directed deep attention to the building up of a firm foundation of the national economy and opened a number of new industrial branches.

In the field of agriculture they abolished feudal land ownership and are vigorously stepping up the projects for irrigation and the expansion of arable land and actively introducing advanced farming methods and machines.

Great successes have also been attained in the domains of education, culture and public health.

In his message of greetings to President Mohammed Anwar El Sadat, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The Korean people heartily rejoice over the successes the Egyptian people are gaining under the correct leadership of Your Excellency President in the struggle against imperialism and Zionism and for the defence of national dignity and sovereignty and for territorial integrity and the country's prosperity and always express active support to and solidarity with their just struggle."

Today the Egyptian people, under the correct leadership of President Mohammed Anwar El Sadat, their outstanding leader, are fighting against imperialism and Zionism and for the defence of territorial integrity and the national dignity of the Arab people and for the country's independent development.

The Middle East situation still remains tense, because the Israeli Zionists are trying to keep the occupied Arab land under their control forever with the active backing of US imperialism. The Zionists are openly indulged in the aggressive manoeuvres, constantly menacing the peoples in the Arab area and seeking to trigger off a new war. But the aggressive machinations of the imperialists and Zionists are being frustrated in face of the vigorous struggle of the Arab people.

Our people consider that for the correct solution of the Middle East problem the aggressive manoeuvres of the imperialists and Zionists in this area should be brought to an end, the Israeli aggressors be driven out of the occupied Arab land and the national rights of the Palestinian people restored before anything else, and extend unstinted support and encouragement to the Arab people's struggle to attain this purpose.

The Korean and Egyptian peoples are close comrades-in-arms who maintain bonds of deep friendship in the common struggle against imperialism and for independence.

The Egyptian people manifest full support to and solidarity with our people in their righteous struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Convinced that the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea and Egypt will be further strengthened in the common cause of anti-imperialism and independence, our people wish the Egyptian people greater successes in their struggle for the country's prosperity.

Kim Su Yon

In Non-Aligned Countries

☆ Didier Ratsiraka, President of Madagascar, has recently sent a message to the entire people, announcing that on June 25 his government decided to nationalize all the foreign oil companies operating in the country. He stated that the oil import, transport, refining and marketing shall be placed under state control.

☆ The government of Surinam nationalized the agricultural bank owned by the monopoly capitalists of the Netherlands in the capital city. This is a step to liquidate the aftermaths of Dutch colonial rule.

SOLIDARITY AND COOPERATION

☆ "A month of solidartiy with the Cuban people" was set in our country.

On the occasion of the 23rd anniversary of the July 26 armed uprising of the Cuban people, the Korean Committee for Solidarity with Cuba, the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea, the Union of Agricultural Working People of Korea, the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea, the Korean Democratic Women's Union and the Korean Students Committee jointly decided to mark off the period from July 11 to August 10, 1976 as "a month of solidarity with the Cuban people" and hold different functions.

During this period celebrations, solidarity meetings, friendship gatherings, photo exhibitions, film shows and other functions will be held in Pyongyang and in local districts, factories, cooperative farms, People's Army units and schools to further strengthen friendship and solidarity with the Cuban people.

☆ A cultural agreement was signed on July 1 between the governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of India, according to a report.

And an agreement on air service between the aviation company of our country "Chosen Minhang" and the Indian aviation company "Air India" was signed on June 29.

☆ It was reported that an accord on air transport service between the governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Bangladesh was signed recently.

Agreements on air service between the aviation companies of the two countries were also signed.

Friendship Visits

☆ A delegation of the Arab Socialist Baath Party headed by Karim Al-Mulla, member of the Baghdad branch leadership of the Arab Socialist Baath Party and Chairman of the General Union of Iraqi Youth, arrived in Pyongyang on July 1 by special plane on a visit to our country at the invitation of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

☆ T. Puntsagnorov, Mongolian Permanent Representative in the United Nations, arrived in Pyongyang on July 6.

☆ An agricultural delegation of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma headed by U Thein Han, Vice-Minister of Agriculture and Forestry of the SRUB, came to Pyongyang on July 13.

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"shock force" in the aggression on Korea.

The Japanese reactionaries faithfully complied with this demand of their US imperialist master.

As the French "L'Humanite" (October 4, 1951) exposed, the then US State Secretary Acheson and a chieftain of the US Army Department ordered the then Japanese Prime Minister Yoshida promptly to send, to begin with, former Japanese officers to the Korean front to get familiarized with the war of aggression in Korea and inspect and "aid" the Syngman Rhee puppet army and, responding to this order, Yoshida dispatched 200 former "imperial army" officers in the first batch.

The dispatch of the Japanese aggression forces to Korea by the US imperialists was not confined to the aggressive activities of the "staff officers" but they took various forms such as the criminal "anti-communist crusades" and "volunteers corps". The backbone of many combat units was the "national police reserve forces" consisting of participants in the Pacific war.

For example, when the US imperialists threw the "Smith special detachment," an advance corps of the 24th division of the US imperialist army, on the Osan line, they let scores of Japanese officers in the US army uniform participate in the Suwon battle as their guide, a scout of aggression.

Tatsukuni Yasui, a soldier of the Japanese aggression army, confessed that he, together with others, was assigned to the second Osaka search party, eleventh regiment, first division of the US imperialist aggression army in Osaka on September 23, 1950, and taken to the Korean front and all but him died a dog's death while operating on a scout mission on the front in puppet army uniform.

Besides, it has been disclosed that when the US imperialist aggression troops were landing in Inchon, many Japanese mine-sweepers and landing craft were called out to the sea off Inchon and Wonsan.

On July 27, 1950 Reuter reported that about 25,000 Japanese aggression troops were fighting on the side of the "United Nations" on the Korean front.

Such participation of the Japanese troops in the Korean war had been partially exposed.

But, each time, it had been hushed up before rousing public opinion, under the pressure of the US Central Intelligence Agency and the Japanese government authorities.

The above facts eloquently bespeak that the US imperialists inveigled the Japanese reactionaries into their war of aggression on Korea and used them in real earnest.

This is another clear evidence that the aggressive nature of imperialism never changes before it dies.

Today the US imperialists are getting more unscrupulous in their schemings to round off the joint military operation system along with the Japanese reactionaries and the south Korean puppets and ignite a new war of aggression in Korea, and the Japanese reactionaries are zealously following the former in these criminal moves.

If the Japanese reactionaries rashly join US imperialism again in its manoeuvres of aggression, they will be held responsible for the grave consequences arising therefrom.

Gloomy Picture of S. Korean Society

Reactionary Logic

Excerpts from Article "Report from South Korea" Carried in January 1976 Issue of Japanese Magazine "Sekai"

A Japanese-born Korean student of Hanguk Theological Seminary was also arrested on the charge of spy. The KCIA is spreading a rumour that he confessed to his having been to the North three times. But no one seems to believe it. This rumour is interpreted as an act, aimed to prevent the Japanese Christians Association and south Korean churchmen in Japan from criticising the Pak regime. The KCIA is apt to see that the Japanese Christians react to the directives from the Reds.

Proceeding from their military and economic interests, the United States and Japan lavish praise even on the Pak regime's suppression of human rights. And beneath it is the racial contempt that "south Koreans deserve to be dealt with this way." In order to protect their interests, they give aid to the Pak regime and send scholars and literary men who are ordered to speak that a good rule inevitably entails suppression against people.

The long- or medium-term foreign loans alone amount to 6,300 million dollars.

This supplies a reason to say that south Korea has turned into a good market of foreign banks. Every year witnesses the ever-increasing pressure of payment of loan and its interest. With each passing year the Pak regime runs into the red figures of over 2,000 million dollars in the international balance sheet. It manages to avoid difficulty by receiving "favours" of some foreign countries and practicing usury. South Korea also serves foreign enterprises as a good market. A woman worker is employed at a daily wage of 350 won (250 yen in Japanese currency). But no protest comes from the labour union. The profits thus collected are sent to the head office. The businessmen of this kind, first of all, want south Korea to be politically stable under the Pak regime. So, they ask the Pak regime to suppress such insolent natives who talk high and mighty, calling for democracy. The Gulf Oil Company which once caused an enormous sensation throughout the world has recently gained the right to business management without Koreans' interference. Now the company is greatly satisfied at this. These international supporters of the Pak regime hold Koreans in profound racial contempt. They know if they do not so they cannot justify their domination and pillage. They are with the Pak regime on that. With the purpose of maintaining its power the regime has no choice but to resort to such savageness. It is trying to justify its acts, working on the ground that the people of this country should be ruled by a club-wielding policy as they are a bad people in nature, and, in this sense, their rule is most agreeable.

Invited to a party in a *kisaeng* girl house American embassy staff members chime in, saying "it is a flexible rule based on the well-understanding of south Koreans". This is the beautiful cooperation between south Korea, US and Japan.

This collusion leads the ruling circles to think that they are distinguished persons belonging to a different category of Koreans. Pak Jung Hi may think he is a "person" of great caliber different from ordinary Koreans. Unlike most Koreans he spent his sensitive youthful days in the Manchukuo Military Academy, the Japanese Military Academy and the Manchukuo Army. After liberation, too, he has traversed the path of life quite different from others. At a time when others were arrested because of their participation in the Ryosu Mutiny in October 1948 they did not want to maintain their lives like Pak Jung Hi who saved his skin by betraying his fellows and violating principle.

Such instances are countless. The point, I think, is that Pak is seeking for political power and wealth without having the least regard to other people and resorting to all possible means like a man in a disorderly mental state. South Korea's misfortunes come from his mistake and distortion. The collusion of international fascisms makes this feasible, doesn't it?

To all intents and purposes, this fascism is different from the previous ones. In a move to make their fascism reality, Germany, Japan and Italy boastfully described their nation as a great nation on a worldwide mission. Prompted by this logic they impelled their people toward fascism. True, the Pak regime also emulated this example at the beginning of 1960's. Now that this nation has become selfish, insensible and vulgar, it is, he insists, necessary for this nation to be under his eternal, suppressive guidance.

Fascism changes its theory at will just as man changes his dress when he deems necessary. No wonder that his attitude towards the masses of people virtually coincides with the Japanese rulers' outlook on this nation in the past. Nearly a half of Koreans who were forcibly drafted by the Japanese at the end of the Second World War cleared out. At that time the Japanese government officials said that "they are devoid of patriotism, very selfish, and lack in their own conviction and work too slowly."

I wonder if Pak Jung Hi knows the reason. Probably, he cannot know it because he was a loyal Japanese subject and soldier. The insulting remarks of Japanese officials were to supervise, suppress and murder our compatriots. Now we hear such remarks from the lips of the ruler of our nation. This is the biggest tragedy of the nation.

Therefore, young people say that the present day is the extension of colonial domination. The same atmosphere prevalent among Japanese officials at the time of their rule is observed in the Pak regime now. The reactionary policy calling for the system of expropriation is still having a field day.

The utterly absurd logic preaching subjugation and submission to this nation is prevalent even within the foreign ruling circles supporting this regime. This is the very thought procession of Americans that was revealed in the domination of black people and savage acts in Viet Nam.

Protesting against it some intellectuals are calling for the liberation of the people. The term "masses of people" is what Pak regime dislikes most.

These days publications casting an eye on the people and accusing the force of arms are read one after another. The publications say about not only the human rights, but the class consciousness.

Even the intellectuals on the side of the Christian religion say about the people and the people's revolution.

A presbyter said:

"...Now the downfall of this country may be inevitable. The speed of the downfall is too fast. The power's stupidity can't be amended...."

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